

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RULE 116 AMENDMENT  
RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

In re Application of: Kishio (nmi) Yokouchi  
Serial No.: 10/805,825  
Filing Date: March 22, 2004  
Group Art Unit: 2874  
Confirmation No.: 1490  
Examiner: Sarah U. Song  
Title: *Optical Structures and Methods for Connecting  
Optical Circuit Board Components*

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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the final Office Action electronically sent January 2, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks.